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Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: U.S. Patent Application of Marc Tillis  
Appln. No. : 10/800,578  
Filed : March 15, 2004  
Title : Method Of Preparing Egg Nuggets  
Our File No. : LL11.12-0089

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following papers in connection with the above-identified patent application:

1. Power of Attorney; and
2. Submission Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) with photocopy of Assignment from Land O'Lakes, Inc., to Moark, LLC and an Assignment from Marc Tillis to Land O'Lakes, Inc. attached.

Respectfully submitted,

KINNEY & LANGE, P.A.

Philip F. Fox

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Enclosures



# POWER OF ATTORNEY

Attorney Docket No.

LL11.12-0089

Inventor : Marc Tillis

Title : Method Of Preparing Egg Nuggets

In the patent application filed on March 15, 2004 as Application No. 10/800,578:

I appoint the attorneys and agents associated with Customer Number 00164 to prosecute the patent application identified above and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, including full power of association, substitution and revocation.

I ratify all prior actions taken by Kinney & Lange, P.A. or the attorneys and agents mentioned above in connection with the prosecution of the above-mentioned patent application.

Please address all correspondence and telephone calls to Customer Number 00164, attention Philip F. Fox, Telephone (612) 339-1863, Fax (612) 339-6580.

MOARK, LLC

Signature:

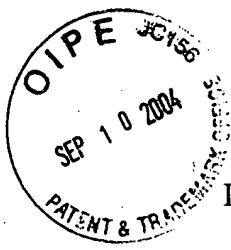
Arnie Sumner

Dated:

8/18/04

Title:

President of Moark, LLC



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named Inventor : Marc Tillis	Group Art Unit: Examiner:
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**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b)**

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I CERTIFY THIS PAPER IS BEING SENT BY U.S. MAIL, FIRST CLASS, TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, THIS 7th DAY OF September, 2004.

Philip Z. Fox  
Patent Attorney

Sir:

Moark, LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri, is an owner of the patent application identified above by virtue of:

1. an assignment from the inventor (Marc Tillis) to Land O'Lakes, Inc., a copy of which is attached; and
2. an assignment from Land O'Lakes, Inc., to Moark, LLC, a copy of which is attached.

The undersigned person (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Signature: Arnie Sumner  
Arnie Sumner

Dated: 8/18/04

Title: President of Moark, LLC

# ASSIGNMENT

Attorney Docket No.

LL11.12-0089

First Named Inventor : Marc Tillis

Title : METHOD OF PREPARING EGG NUGGETS

WHEREAS, I, Marc Tillis, of Roseville, Minnesota, USA, have invented certain new and useful improvements as described in an application entitled METHOD OF PREPARING EGG NUGGETS for Letters Patent of the United States, the application having been executed on even date herewith, and/or being identifiable in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_; and

WHEREAS, Land O'Lakes, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota, and having offices at 4001 Lexington Avenue North, Arden Hills, MN 55126, ("Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the application, and any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection, foreign or domestic, to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, I transfer to Assignee, its successors and assigns, my entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the above-identified application, corresponding domestic and foreign applications, all Letters Patent or similar legal protection issuing thereon, and all rights and benefits under any applicable treaty or convention; and I authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States or foreign equivalent thereof to issue the Letters Patent or similar legal protection to the Assignee.

I authorize the Assignee, its successors and assigns, to insert in this instrument the filing date and application number of the application when ascertained.

I authorize the Assignee, its successors and assigns, or anyone it may properly designate, to apply for Letters Patent or similar legal protection, in its own name if desired, in any and all foreign countries.

I represent to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, that I have not and shall not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with this Assignment. I, my executors or administrators, will at any time upon request, without additional consideration, but at the expense of the Assignee, its successors and assigns, execute such additional writings and do such additional acts as the Assignee, its successors and assigns, may deem desirable to perfect its enjoyment of this grant, and render all assistance in making application for and obtaining, maintaining, and enforcing the Letters Patent or similar legal protection on the invention in any and all countries.

Marc Tillis  
Marc Tillis

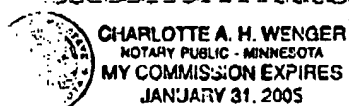
STATE OF MINNESOTA )

COUNTY OF Ramsey ) ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2004.

Charlotte A. H. Wenger  
Notary Public

(SEAL)



# ASSIGNMENT

Attorney Docket Nos.

LL11-12.0089 & LL11-12.0103

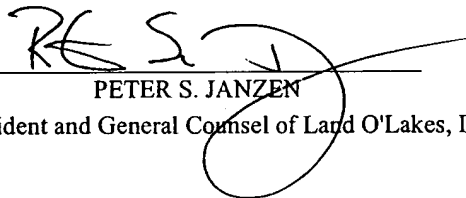
WHEPEAS, Land O'Lakes, Inc. ("Assignor"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota and having an office and principal place of business at 4001 Lexington Avenue North, Arden Hills, Minnesota 55126, is the owner of the entire right, title, and interest in and to an invention of certain new and useful improvements as described and included in an application entitled EGG NUGGETS for Letters Patent of the United States executed on March 15, 2004 and identifiable in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Application No. 10/800,577 that was filed on March 15, 2004 and as described and included in an application entitled METHOD OF PREPARING EGG NUGGETS for Letters Patent of the United States executed on March 15, 2004 and identifiable in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Application No. 10/800,578 that was filed on March 15, 2004.

WHEREAS, Moark, LLC, ("Assignee"), a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri, and having an office and principal place of business at 651A Trade Center Blvd., Chesterfield, Missouri, 63005 is desirous of acquiring the Assignor's entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the application entitled EGG NUGGETS for Letters Patent of the United States that is identifiable in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Application No. 10/800,577, the application entitled METHOD OF PREPARING EGG NUGGETS for Letters Patent of the United States that is identifiable in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Application No. 10/800,578, and any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection, foreign or domestic, to be obtained based upon the inventions and/or upon Application Nos. 10/800,577 and/or 10/800,578.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor sells, assigns, and transfers to Assignee, Assignee's successor(s), and Assignee's assign(s), Assignor's entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, Application Nos. 10/800,577 and 10/800,578, any and all corresponding domestic and foreign applications, all Letters Patent or similar legal protection issuing thereon, and all rights and benefits under any applicable treaty or convention; and Assignor authorizes the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States or foreign equivalent thereof to issue any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection to the Assignee.

Assignor authorizes Assignee, Assignee's successor(s), and Assignee's assign(s), or anyone Assignee may properly designate, to apply for Letters Patent or similar legal protection based upon the invention, based upon Application Nos. 10/800,577 and/or 10/800,578, and/or based upon any corresponding domestic and foreign applications, in Assignee's own name if desired, in the United States and/or in any and all foreign countries.

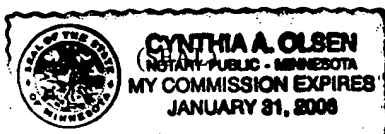
Assignor represents to Assignee, Assignee's successor(s) and assign(s), that Assignor has not and shall not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with this Assignment. Assignor and Assignor's successor(s) will at any time upon request, without additional consideration, but at the expense of the Assignee, Assignee's successor(s) and assign(s), execute such additional writings and do such additional acts as the Assignee, Assignee's successor(s), and Assignee's assign(s), may deem desirable to perfect its enjoyment of this grant, and render all assistance in making application for and obtaining, maintaining, and enforcing the Letters Patent or similar legal protection on the invention in any and all countries.

  
PETER S. JANZEN  
Vice President and General Counsel of Land O'Lakes, Inc.

STATE OF MINNESOTA     )  
                                          ) ss.  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY     )

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2004.

  
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